



Taking Flight by Marcia Billig

Billig's *Taking Flight* Graces New Twinbrook Community Recreation Center

On Oct. 16, Rockville's Mayor and Council dedicated *Taking Flight*, a sculpture created by Marcia Billig, that graces the entrance of the City's new Twinbrook Community Recreation Center. The work was funded through Rockville's Art in Public Architecture and Art in Public Places projects, part of the City's Capital Improvements Programs.

Marcia Billig received her MFA in sculpture from American University in Washington, D.C. Her public art commissions include: *The Grand-daughters*, located at the Strathmore Hall Arts Center in Bethesda, Md.; *Sisters*, located at the B'nai B'rith, National Jewish Museum, in Washington, D.C.; *The Commuter*, located at the Wheaton Metro Station, in Wheaton, Md.; *Lion and the Mouse*, located at the Silver Spring Library, in Silver Spring, Md.; *Taking Off*, located at the Davis Library, in Bethesda, Md., and *The Inner Light*, located at the Woodlawn Conference Center, in Silver Spring, Md.

Her public art commissions in Montgomery County Public Schools include a bronze memorial bas relief at Watkins Mill High School in Gaithersburg, Md.; Flying Kites, located at Greencastle Elementary School, in Silver Spring, Md.; Children at Play, located at Cinnamon Woods Elementary School, in Gaithersburg, Md.; The Brementown Musicians and Copernicus, located at Flower Hill Elementary School, in Gaithersburg, Md.; and Discovery of Maryland, located at Bradley Hills Elementary School, in Bethesda, Md.

F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference Honors Local Writers



In 1999, the F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference honored eight local writers as their Short Story contest winners and runners-ups. The winning entries were read during the awards ceremony, and the writers received cash awards.

The winner of the F. Scott Fitzgerald Short Story Contest was Gretchen Comba, of Richmond, Va., for *The History of Florida*. The runners up were Jody Lannen Brady, of Annandale, Va., for *Ladies Do Not*;

Lewis K. Schrager, of North Bethesda, Md., for *The Caretaker*; and Nicole Louise Reid, of Arlington, Va., for *Woman Sleeping*. This contest is open to residents of Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

The winner of the High School Short Story Contest was Carinne M. J. Prest, of Potomac, Md., and Stone Ridge High School (11th grade), for *Hunt for Moose*. The runners up were Sinta Jimenez, of Germantown, Md., and Montgomery Blair High School (11th grade), for *Down In Mexico City*, Andrew Batcher, of Silver Spring, Md., and Kennedy High School (12th grade), for *Rite of Passage*; and Dora Malech, of Bethesda, Md., and Walt Whitman High School (12th grade), for *Magic*. Added in 1998, this contest is open to high school students who reside or attend school in Montgomery County, Md.

The F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference Committee would like to thank the Cultural Arts Commission for its support for use of Maryland State Arts Council Grant Funds. ■

Rockville Invites You to the Third Annual Rockville Arts Awards Gala

The City of Rockville's Mayor and Council invite you to attend the third annual Rockville Arts Awards Gala on Sunday, Jan. 2, 2000, at 3 p.m., at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre, at Rockville Civic Center Park.

The arts awards will honor:

- Rockville high school student achievements in the arts;
- Volunteer support to the arts;
- Corporate and business support to the arts; and
- Lifetime achievement in the visual, performing, or literary arts.

The event will include the awards presentation, entertainment, and an afternoon tea. The cost of the event is \$12 per person or \$20 per couple. Business attire is appropriate, and reservations are required (please fill out the form found on page 4).

The arts bring people together and generate shared experiences that celebrate special events, provide learning opportunities, and reflect the diverse interests of the community. The arts focus attention on the livability of Rockville, attract visitors and tourists to the city, provide jobs, and stimulate development. The arts reflect an integral part of the "quality of life" a community has to offer.

Support the arts in Rockville by:

- Being a part of an arts audience
- Being an active participant in a creative arts endeavor
- Being an arts volunteer
- Being an arts advocate
- Enjoying the arts every day where you live, work, or play.

"Business and government are the heart of a city — but the ARTS are its soul."

Artists Sought for Rockville's 2000 Sculpture on the Grounds **Outdoor Exhibit**

The City of Rockville is seeking sculptors to participate in its 14th annual sculpture exhibit of large-scale outdoor works as part of the City's Art in Public Places Program (AIPP). The exhibit takes place from June 4 through Oct. 21 on the grounds of Rockville Civic Center Park. The park - which includes Glenview Mansion, the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre and Social Hall, the cottage, and more than 150 acres of grounds - is the hub of Rockville's main recreational, cultural, and social activities.

AWARDS

Each participating artist will receive a stipend of \$500 per selected work, payable in two installments - half when the work is installed and half after it has been removed from the site.

WORK SUBMISSION

Works submitted must be large-scale, well-fabricated, and constructed of durable materials suited for outdoors. Provisions must be made for the work to be anchored in a secure fashion.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

Each artist may submit up to three works for consideration. Each work may be represented by two or three slides demonstrating different views. Slides must be labeled with the name, title, medium, and size of the work.

Artists must submit a statement on the proposed method of installation for each work of art under consideration. Information on the method of installation should include a detailed drawing, as well as the type of equipment that will be used to accomplish this method.

The review board will consider proposals for site-specific projects from experienced artists. Each proposal must include slides of a model or drawing of a concept.

A current resume also must be included. To have submissions returned, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

TRANSPORTATION AND INSTALLATION

Transportation and installation are the responsibility of the artist. Completed installation must pass City inspection and meet all safety requirements.

INSURANCE

The works will be insured for the duration of the exhibit in accordance with the City of Rockville's policy. The replacement value of any one artwork may not exceed \$10,000. Note: The artist will need to submit an appraisal for any artwork with a replacement value of \$5,000 or more for insurance purposes.

PROMOTION

The City will provide an identification plaque for each work, represent each work in the Focus on the Arts insert, and organize a reception to celebrate the opening of the exhibit. Sale of works will be encouraged, and a 10 percent commission will be taken by the City

IMPORTANT DATES

March 1: Application deadline

All submissions must be postmarked by this date

Notification to artists March 10: End of May 2000: Installation of works June 4: Exhibit opens Removal of works October 23-31:

MAIL APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:

Sculpture on the Grounds City of Rockville - Arts Division Glenview Mansion

603 Edmonston Dr. Rockville, MD 20851

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 301-309-3357.

City Calls for 2001 Art **Gallery Entries**

The City of Rockville continues its support of the visual arts with a call for entries for exhibits at the Glenview Mansion Art Gallery in 2001. Rockville's ongoing effort to focus community awareness on the gallery is furthered by welcoming new participating artists.

Exhibits are scheduled each month to provide the maximum number of exhibiting opportunities for regional artists and to present a variety of visual arts experiences for gallery visitors.

Rockville's Glenview Mansion Art Gallery is located at Rockville Civic Center Park, located on Baltimore Rd. and Edmonston Dr.

ELIGIBILITY

The call is open to all artists living in Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, D.C.

MEDIA

Two-dimensional and three-dimensional works in all media, styles, and techniques are acceptable.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Artists must complete an application form and return it with slides, a slide list, and a resume by 5 p.m., Friday, Jan. 14, 2000. There is no entry fee. Applications are available at Rockville City Hall or Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park.

GALLERY SPACE

Exhibiting space is restricted to Gallery Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, a hallway, and two glass-enclosed porches. The total gallery wall space can easily accommodate 50 to 80 average-sized wall pieces, and/or a large number of freestanding works.

SELECTION PROCESS

A juried selection process will be implemented through which all applications will be reviewed by a panel consisting of artists, art professionals, and community supporters of the arts. The panel will recommend proposed exhibits for placement in the calendar schedule by the Art Gallery Director. An exhibit may reflect selection of one application or a combination of applications to create a visually stimulating presentation.

SELECTION PROCESS CALENDAR

January 14: Applications must be received by 5 p.m. Week of January 17: Juried selection by review panel January 30: Notification to all artists February 2000: Selected artist contracted January through December 2000: Presentation of selected exhibits Process for 2002 exhibits

TERMS FOR EXHIBIT

Fall 2000:

- Display area is restricted to gallery walls and pedestals. No room installations will be accepted.
- All wall-displayed works of art must be suitably framed to be hung from the rod hanging systems provided. This requires a secure wire on the back of each work. No nails are allowed in the gallery's plaster walls.
- Gallery pedestals will be provided to meet most display needs for freestanding works.
- Transportation for delivery and pick-up of art is the responsibility of the artist(s).
- Installation of the works of art is the joint responsibility of the Art Gallery Director and the participating artist(s).
- Works exhibited are subject to the approval of the Art Gallery Director.

SALES

The City of Rockville will receive a 20 percent commission on all sales, and sales must go through the Art Gallery Director. Works may be "not for sale" (NFS) at the direction of the artist.

INSURANCE

All works of art will be insured from theft and damage while on display for the duration of the exhibit in accordance with the City of Rockville's policy: \$100,000 maximum per show: \$10,000 limit per individual artwork.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 301-309-3354.



A LITTLE D.A.B. WILL DO YA!



Join us at social dances this winter!

Rockville Seniors Inc. and the City of Rockville Arts Division invite you to put on your dancing shoes and cut a rug. Basic steps in standard ballroom – such as fox trot, cha cha, waltz, swing, and rumba – will be taught during the practice dance.

Who: Persons 18 years old or older

 $\label{eq:Where: Carnation Room, Rockville Senior Center, 1150 Carnation Dr.}$

When: Friday, January 14, 8-11 p.m., dancing to taped music Friday, February 18, 8-11 p.m., dancing to taped music Friday, March 10, 8-11 p.m., dancing to taped music —

(line dancing only)

Instructors: Paul Mola (Jan. 14 and Feb. 18) and Bob Appelbaum (March 10).

Instruction will be scheduled throughout the evenings.

Cost: \$5 for advance tickets or \$7 at the door.

Tickets can be purchased in advance from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at Rockville City Hall, 111 Maryland Ave. You also can order tickets through the mail. Send orders to: Rockville City Hall, Attn: Social Dances, Recreation and Parks Department, 111 Maryland Ave., Rockville, MD 20850.

 $Food\ and\ beverages\ will\ be\ available\ for\ purchase.$

Call 301-309-3340 for more information.

City Seeks Young Artists for 2000 Rockville Student Art Show

The City of Rockville's Department of Recreation and Parks and the Rockville Arts League is seeking young artists to participate in the 2000 Rockville Student Art Show, which will take place from March 5-28.

To participate entrants must be high school, middle school, or elementary students who reside or attend school within the corporate limits of the City of Rockville. Please note that works by students in grades three through 12 will be judged for ribbon awards. Registration and delivery of works will take place on Sunday, Feb. 27, from 2-4 p.m., at the Glenview Mansion Art Gallery, located at Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park (Baltimore Rd. and Edmonston Dr.).

THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS ARE:

- Each participant may submit only one work of art in any medium.
- Two-dimensional artworks must be matted or framed. If framed, artwork must include wire on the back for hanging.
- Three-dimensional artworks must be stable enough for public display.
- Two registration forms must be completed. One form is to be secured to the back of the artwork for identification purposes. The second form is to be handed in at registration for administrative needs.
- Artworks will not be sold.

THE EXHIBITION SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

February 27, 2-4 p.m.: Registration and deliveries of artwork

March 5, 1-4 p.m.: Opening reception, which includes the awards

ceremony at 2:15 p.m. and the Musical Theater Center Shows at 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.

March 5-28: Exhibit dates

March 20, 10 a.m.: Guided gallery tour (to schedule a tour, call 301-

309-3354)

March 28, 4-7 p.m.: Pick up artwork

Call 301-309-3357 for more information.

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Sunday, January 2, 2000, 3 p.m. F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre, Rockville Civic Center Park
Yes, I will attend and celebrate the arts in Rockville. One ticket for \$12 Two tickets for \$20 I also would like to make a donation to the City of Rockville "Friends of the Arts' Fund" to support future arts projects within Rockville. Donation amount: I am unable to attend, but I would like to make a donation. Donation amount: Donation amount:
Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip:
Daytime Phone:
Make checks payable to the City of Rockville and mail to: Third Annual Rockville Arts Awards Gala, 603 Edmonston Dr., Rockville, MD 20850. The deadline for reservations is Dec. 22,
and your reservations will be noted on a confirmation list at the door.
Thank you for your generous support of the arts. Business Attire

Winter Arts in Rockville

Glenview Mansion

at Rockville Civic Center Park

Arts in the Mansion

EXHIBITS

Through January 3 Rockville Art League -**Juried Member Show**

January 9-February 1

Sara Brown Fiber Collage and Assemblage Sabine Carlson **Paintings** Mike Shaffer Mixed Media Sculpture

Opening Reception:

January 9, 1-4 p.m. **Artist Talk:** January 20, 7:30 p.m. **Guided Gallery Tour:** January 21, 10 a.m.

February 6-20

Maria Barbosa Mixed Media Carolyn Jean Sculpture/Assemblage

Opening Reception:

February 6, 1-4 p.m.

Artist Talk: February 17, 7:30 p.m. **Guided Gallery Tour:** February 18, 10 a.m.

Sunday Afternoon Concerts Free, No Ticket Required

December

Enjoy Glenview Mansion Holiday Open Houses on December 19 and 26, from 1-4 p.m. Each Sunday's entertainment is different.

January 9, 2 p.m.

Celtic Explorations with Maggie Sansone, Rob Greenway, and Andrea Hoag.

February 6, 2 p.m.

Bob Tublin and **Progressive Jazz**

Arts Information Hotline 301-309-3057

F. Scott Fitzgerald ★Theatre

at Rockville Civic Center Park

National Chamber Orchestra

January 8, 8 p.m.

Ed Newman Piano Recital -Works by Chopin Tickets: \$16 (center), \$12 (side), and \$8 (far side)

February 4 and 5, 8 p.m.

Kurt Nikkanen, Violin - Works by Mozart, Gerber, and Bizet Tickets: \$31 (center), \$24 (side), and \$17 (far side)

March 3 and 4, 8 p.m.

Juliette Kang, Violin - Works by Elgar, Gerber, and Berstein Tickets: \$31 (center), \$24 (side), and \$17 (far side)

March 25, 8 p.m.

Marek Zebrowski Piano Recital - Works by Chopin, Mozart, and Griffes Tickets: \$16 (center), \$12 (side), and \$8 (far side)

Call 301-762-8580 for more information

Rockville Little Theatre

January 13, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28 and 29, 8 p.m.

January 23,

2:30 p.m. Trip to Bountiful

Tickets: \$10, gen. admission; \$9 students and seniors

> Call 301-340-1417 for more information

Rockville Concert Band

January 30, 3 p.m. Chamber Ensemble Concert Free

February 27, 3 p.m. Free

March 26, 3 p.m. Children's Concert Free

Call 301-309-3340 for more information.

Victorian Lyric Opera Company

February 10,* 11, 12, 18, 19, 24, 25, and 26, 8 p.m. Feb. 13 and 20, 2 p.m. Die Fledermaus Tickets: \$12, gen. admission; \$10 students (16 yrs. and younger)

> Call 301-879-0220 for more information

Rockville Civic Ballet

April 1, 7:30 p.m. April 2, 2:30 p.m.

Annual Spring Production Director: Claudia Mangan Tickets: \$7, gen. admission; \$5 seniors and children; \$6.50 group rate (seven or more gen. admission); and \$4.50 group rate (seven or more seniors or children).

Call 301-340-3340 for more information

* Senior Citizens (60 years and older) may attend rehearsals at no charge. Seating is first-come, firstserved.



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